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Twelfth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

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Sir:

Listed on accompanying IDS Forms, PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B, are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The numbering on this Twelfth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' Eleventh Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 22, 2007 in connection with the above-captioned application.

Copies of documents **NPL8** to **NPL10** are submitted. However, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), copies of U.S. patents, **US9** to **US11**, cited on the attached IDS Form, PTO/SB/08A, are not submitted.

In accordance with the recent Federal Circuit decision in *Dayco Prods., Inc. v. Total Containment, Inc.* 329 F.3d 1358 (Fed. Cir. 2003), Applicants submit herewith an Office Action from the related co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 11/078,097 as document **NPL8** and the related co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 11/077,620 as

documents **NPL9** and **NPL10**. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited application and the art cited therein during examination.

Where the publication date of a listed document does not provide a month of publication, the year of publication of the listed document is sufficiently earlier than the effective U.S. filing date and any foreign priority date so that the month of publication is not in issue. Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached IDS Forms based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

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This statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made, or that information more material to the examination of the present patent application does not exist. The Examiner is specifically requested not to rely solely on the material submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. No statement or fee is required.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed IDS Forms, and indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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